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**To:** Microsoft ATR  
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Please find my comments related to the proposed Microsoft settlement.

Sincerely,

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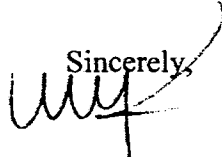
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I would like to take advantage of this public comment period and voice my opinion on the recent events surrounding the Microsoft antitrust case. First of all, this lawsuit is frivolous and has become a political game for those wanting media attention. Much time and money has been wasted on lawsuit, and now that a settlement has been reached, I think it is ridiculous to spend even more time on it.

It is very clear that the attorneys general of the dissenting states are more interested in pursuing a populist political agenda than in protecting consumers. The interests of consumers will be best served to put this issue behind us and allow the American economy to recover from its current recession.

In the past decade, I think that Microsoft has created the single best consumer product in the market. Given how much time people and businesses spend using computers, a very small price is paid for a superior product. I see no indication that there has been any harm to consumer interest in Microsoft's products or their practices. Please uphold this settlement and allow Microsoft and our economy to return to normal.

Like most settlements, this settlement in the Microsoft case has been reached after much effort, under the supervision of a court-appointed mediator. The settlement goes above and beyond what was called for in the problematic issues of the suit. To ensure its compliance, there has been a Technical Committee created to oversee any possible dispute resolution.

Sincerely,  
  
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cc: Representative Jerrold Nadler

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